# American Prep WV1 Campus Newsletter October 4, 2019

Electronic calendar can be accessed on the website @ http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/

School hours: Monday, Tuesday & Friday: 8:15-3:25/3:50 pm

Wednesday & Thursday: 8:15-2:25/2:50 pm

Phones will be answered from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on school days – except during 1st dismissal carpool.

CALENDAR: \*Volunteer Opportunities Monday, Oct 7 Adult English Classes @ 8:30 am Wed, Oct 9 Reading University Store \* Wed, Oct 9 Adult English Classes @ 8:30 am 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trips \* Wed, Oct 10 Tuesday Oct 8 Weekly Show-What-You-Know Assembly 8:15-8:45 am Thurs, Oct 10 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event \* 1:00-3:45 pm Thurs, Oct 10 Fri, Oct 11 End of Term 1/ Reports cards go home Oct 14 - Oct 18 Fall Break - NO SCHOOL Oct 21 Term 2 starts Coming up: Oct 21-25 **Annual School College Week** Oct 30-31 Parent/Teacher Conferences- All Students Early Dismissal 12:15 pm/ No Nov 1 Sistema Staff Professional Day- No School

#### **Hello American Prep Families!**

## October's Builder's Theme: "I am a builder when I am perfectly honest"

The reason we use the phrase "perfectly honest" is because in our world there is often a message sent that there is such a thing as "pretty honest" or "honest enough". We are trying to help our students find and clearly see the delineation between "honest" and "dishonest". Honesty is a life-long quest and something we have to work on all of the time, not just when we are children.

We have wonderful students at American Prep who are willing and eager to work toward and demonstrate perfect honesty. We hope you can make honesty a theme at your home this month. Exposing "fibs" and examples of dishonesty is important for our children. They need to clearly see the line between honesty and dishonesty at home as well as at school. Dishonesty is such a plague of our culture in our time. We hope to make a positive difference in our world by working with you to develop hundreds of VERY honest citizens!

#### **Academic Office: Learning Plans**

The Learning Plan is APA's way of communicating what is happening in the classroom every day. It can be found at the front of the docket. Please check and sign it every day. The learning plan is a communication tool that assures homework is completed each night. As parents sign the learning plan, they are communicating with the teachers that they have seen the homework. If your student is unable to finish an assignment, please sign the bottom of the learning plan but also circle the box of the unfinished assignment.



Parents can also verify the classroom management system by the color the student is on at the end of the day, this color is marked right above where the parent's signature belongs. Also, on the back of the learning plan is a communication area; you may use this if you have any comments or questions. You may also schedule appointments; however, teachers are available by e-mail anytime and should respond within 24 hours.

Teachers will be checking daily to ensure students are finding success in completing their homework. If teachers find that a student is consistently unprepared or learning plans are not signed, they will ask the student to call home and come up with a plan. Thank you for your support in the APA programs! We know with your help and support every student can find success!

#### **APA- Amazing Job Opportunity**

We are looking for APA parents to become substitute teachers for our schools! We have found that our amazing parents make the very best substitute teachers! They know the "APA way" and love our students, which are the two most important traits of a successful substitute teacher! We provide all training, and the pay is \$80-90 per day! This is a great time of year to become a substitute teacher - save up for those holiday plans in advance! We provide in-depth, paid training so you will feel comfortable in your duties. **APA is a FUN place to work! We'd love to have you on our team!** Maybe you can only commit to one day per week - that would be fine with us! Or work every day - whatever suits your schedule! We need substitute teachers every day and we would really appreciate your help. Also, please tell your family members and friends about this opportunity! apply online <a href="https://www.americanprep.org/careers">www.americanprep.org/careers</a>

## **Early Arrival for Carpool? Volunteer!**

Are you an early arriver for end-of-day carpool? If you wouldn't lose your spot on the curb, would you come in and volunteer for a few minutes? We have some quick and easy volunteer tasks that you could do—sweeping out the entrance ways, tidying up the teacher breakroom, vacuuming & dusting the offices, wiping off the desks in the breakout rooms, sharpening pencils—little things that always need doing and our busy staff doesn't always have time to get to.

Interested? After you've parked at the curb, come into the school and sign in. We'll give you a card for your dash that says "VOLUNTEERING...I will be back in my car by 3:20" (or something like that!) If you did only 15-20 minutes of volunteering a day during that waiting time, your 20 hours of volunteer time would be complete before you know it!

## **How to Report Your Volunteer Hours!**

If you have done any volunteering this year, please report your volunteer hours by e-mailing them to wv1volunteerhours@apamail.org

It's most helpful if you include your full name, your student's name & grade, the amount of time and how your volunteered.



#### **Coming up in Ambassadors!**

We have our first 6th grade event of the year coming up on Thursday, October 10th from 12:45-3:45pm. This is a brand new ambassador event and we are so excited for all of our amazing 6th grade students to participate in it. At this event we will be teaching the students that they are the pilot of their own journey and the importance of trying new things, being genuine, setting goals as well as reviewing the importance of friendships and conversations. We never want our students to miss out on these amazing skills, mark your calendars and plan for a 3:45pm pick up. We also need parent volunteers! If you are interested in volunteering, email Leigh Herrera at LHerrera@apamail.org

#### Fruit & Veggies Program

PLUMS Where to begin with Plums? The availability of plums has increased immensely over the last 30 years. There are literally hundreds if not thousands of plum varieties available today with many more coming forth each year. However, the two things that remain most constant are the colors. Most plums are either classified as a black plum or a red plum. Once then classified they are given more specific names. Plums are considered a 'stone fruit' because of the pit, seed or stone that can be found inside. Other stone fruits include peaches, nectarines and apricots. Three things all plums have in common are thin skin, a single pit and sweet juicy flesh. Plums are usually considered a summer time treat but now with the availability of different growing regions worldwide we can eat plums from a different country during our winter months.



#### **APEF**

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4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE: APA's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Boutique will be held Friday, November 8 and Saturday, November 9 at the Draper 3 campus. Our next meeting will be

held Thursday, October 3 at 1:30 in the Draper 2 conference room. We need many volunteers to make this fundraiser a success. If you are able to help with the planning of the event, please come to this meeting. We still need people to help with advertising, graphic design, vendor outreach, decorating, and more.

If you would like to be a vendor at the boutique, please join our Facebook group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/apaboutiquevendors/. We are also looking for APA students who would like to sign up for a booth. The cost for a student booth is \$10. The student vendor application can be found on our Facebook pages.

**APA Business Directory** We are creating an APA business directory that will be available to all APA families. If you'd like to have your business included, please email Michelle Goudge mgoudge@americanprepfoundation.org, | p: 801.661.1928. This is free advertising for your business and a great way for APA parents and staff to support other APA families.



#### **Community Services**

ME time is a new, FREE six-week work group for youth between ages 13-17 to learn skills to manage difficult emotions. Upcoming classes start October 21sth (8781 So. Redwood Rd, WJ) and October 22<sup>nd</sup> (177 W Price Ave, So SL). All classes are from 4:30-5:30 pm. Register or learn more, contact Chandler at 385-468-4525 or <a href="mailto:cparkinson@slco.org">cparkinson@slco.org</a>

## Friday Club Day—Going Strong!

Thank you to all the parents and students who have enthusiastically gotten involved in our after-school clubs! And thank you to our staff advisors that are making them possible!

- The Kindness Club (grades 4-6) have been spreading joy through the school with inspiring messages and some sidewalk chalk thoughts that briefly brought some fun until last weekend's big rainstorm. ©
- The Jump Rope Club (grades 2-6) has been turning their ropes and getting more and more skilled. What parents think *they* can still do double-dutch?!
- The Yearbook Club (grades 4-6) has been learning about photography and how to compose a great photo. They are excited to work with Josten's Yearbook company this year to create our school yearbook.
- The Theatre Production Club (grades 4-6) are letting their creative juices flow as they write the script and lyrics for their own opera! In January, they will be holding auditions for students who would like to participate in the performance.
- The Lego/Robotics Club (grades K-6) got off to a start last week with a full room of enthusiastic Lego fans! If you have unused Legos at your house that you would like to donate, Mr. Brennan would know how to put them to good use!

The Kindness Club is still accepting fun, caring students in grades 4-6 who are interested in joining. They meet on Fridays from 3:25-3:55 in Mrs. Furniss's 5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom. Students can be picked up during 2<sup>nd</sup> dismissal carpool.

Our other clubs are brimming to capacity and enrollment is closed until January. In January, students will have another opportunity to sign up and participate in a club. Watch for information on new club opportunities coming in December!

## <u>Sistema ЛЛЛ маке а ноте!</u>

Sistema Phone Number: 801-839-3613 Ex 0032

#### Pick-up time on:

6:05 - 6:30 Monday, Tuesday, and Friday

5:05 - 5:30 Wed and Thursday

- Oct. 25 Sistema Strings Logan Field Trip
- Oct. 30-31 No Sistema Parent Teacher's Conference
- Nov. 1 No Sistema